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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE CHICAGO	OFFICE OF ORIGIN CHICAGO	DATE DEC 27 1973	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 10/12 - 12/13/73
TITLE OF CASE KEN ETO, aka		REPORT MADE BY SA [redacted]	TYPED BY prk
CHARACTER OF CASE  AR			

REFERENCE: Chicago report of SA [redacted] dated 10/31/73.

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CHICAGO

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Will continue to follow and report subject's activities and associates in Chicago.

INFORMANTS

Source	Date Contacted	Contacting Agent
[redacted]		SA [redacted]

ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED					<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NONE	ACQUIT-TALS	CASE HAS BEEN: PENDING OVER ONE YEAR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO
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Copy to: 1-USA, Chicago  
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Report of: SA [redacted]

Office: CHICAGO

Date: DEC 27 1973

Field Office File #: 92-671

Bureau File #: 92-7319

Title: KEN ETO

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: KEN ETO and [redacted] in spring of 1973, attempted to obtain corporate records of FRAZIER N. JAMES with \$1,000 bribe offer to Smith Mayflower Moving and Storage Company, Alexandria, Virginia. ETO remains as controller of Taco-Si Corporation, Skokie, Illinois.

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DETAILS: AT ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA

By communication dated October 31, 1973, the Alexandria Division advised that FRAZIER N. JAMES died of a heart attack in Alexandria, Virginia, on October 8, 1973. [redacted] advised the office [redacted] had been burglarized sometime between October 8, and 11, 1973, and numerous files, including one file containing newspaper clippings regarding ETO, had been taken from his office.

On October 12, 1973, [redacted] [redacted] Smith Mayflower Moving and Storage, Alexandria, Virginia, who held all corporate records of FRAZIER JAMES in storage, advised that in May or June, 1973, ETO and [redacted] appeared before him and offered him \$1,000 to allow them to take the corporate records maintained in his custody. He declined their offer at that time.

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On October 12, 1973, Agents of the Alexandria Office, pursuant to a Consent to Search form issued by [redacted] seized 146 boxes containing records of transactions which JAMES had been involved in.

Review of the aforementioned boxes revealed information from personal diaries of JAMES' concerning ETO. This information will be forwarded to the Chicago Office.

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

On [redacted] advised that JOE the JAP is attempting to sell Bourbon Street. ETO is asking \$150,000 for the establishment. [redacted] has offered \$100,000.

On November 5, 1973, Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Supervisor [redacted] attached to the Chicago Strike Force, advised that IRS Agent [redacted] who has telephone [redacted] would assist in the IRS portion of the investigation concerning KEN ETO.

On November 8, 1973, PETER F. VAIRA was advised of the bribe attempt of KEN ETO to the Smith Mayflower Moving and Storage Company in Alexandria, Virginia. [redacted]

On [redacted] advised [redacted] is very obedient to KEN ETO and source does not know what ETO has on [redacted]

ETO and [redacted] have been making trips to Washington, D.C., last spring concerning a law suit. They on one occasion had the currency changing machine here in Chicago at the Taco-Si Company.

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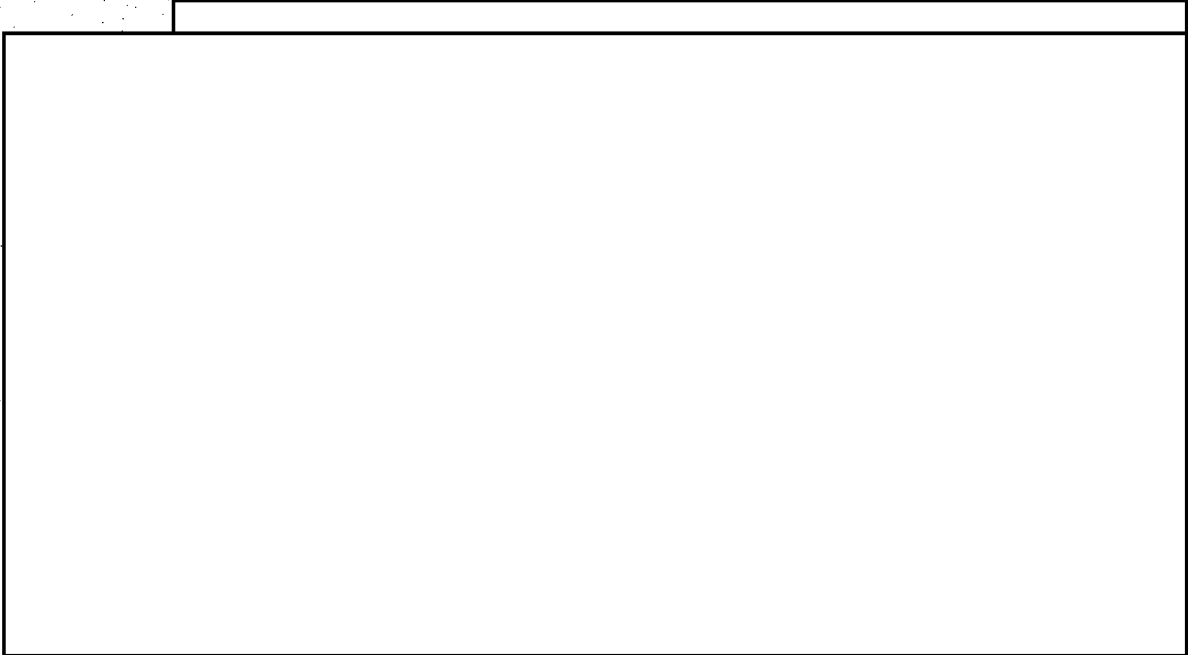
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On December 10, 1973, a telephone call to Taco-Si Company, 7625 North Austin, Skokie, Illinois, telephone #966-0440, indicated that KEN ETO was at Taco-Si and continued as controller of the corporation.

On December 13, 1973, [redacted] IRS, Special Agent, advised that he was doing an IRS audit of KEN ETO and [redacted]

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Chicago, Illinois

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File No. CG 92-671

DEC 27 1973

Title KEN ETO

Character ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference is made to report of SA   
dated and captioned as above.

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All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed  
in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE <b>ALEXANDRIA</b>	OFFICE OF ORIGIN <b>ALEXANDRIA</b>	DATE <b>1/21/74</b>	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD <b>10/8/73 - 1/17/74</b>
TITLE OF CASE  <b>FRED B. BLACK, JR.; KEN ETO, ET AL</b>		REPORT MADE BY <b>SA</b> <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 150px; height: 15px;"></span>	TYPED BY <b>mew</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>NATIONAL BANKRUPTCY ACT</b>	

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

No report previously submitted as it would have been a non-status report. Investigation continuing.

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ALEXANDRIA

AT ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA. Will continue review of corporate records obtained in this matter.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED					<input type="checkbox"/> NONE	ACQUIT-TALS	CASE HAS BEEN:
CONVIC.	FUG.	FINES	SAVINGS	RECOVERIES			
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Copy to: 1-United States Attorney, Alexandria, Virginia  
(ATTENTION: AUSA DAVID H. HOPKINS)

Report of: SA [REDACTED] Office: Alexandria, Virginia  
Date: 1/21/74

Field Office File #: 49-25 Bureau File #: 49-20064

Title: FRED B. BLACK, JR.;  
KEN ETO  
DOING BUSINESS AS TACO-SI, INCORPORATED  
INSTITUTIONS INTERNATIONAL;  
CALIENDO'S FINER FOODS

Character: 7623 NORTH AUSTIN, SKOKIE, ILLINOIS

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NATIONAL BANKRUPTCY ACT

Synopsis:

On 10/8/73, potential government witness FRAZIER N. JAMES died in Alexandria, Virginia. A large volume of corporate records was removed from a local moving company. Investigation determined that KEN ETO and [REDACTED] had attempted to obtain these records. [REDACTED] has knowledge of ETO's funding of currency in the Alexandria area from 1966 to 1968.

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DETAILS:

On October 9, 1973, [REDACTED] advised SA [REDACTED] F. N. JAMES, SR. died of a heart attack on October 8, 1973.

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Date of transcription 10/18/73

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[redacted] Smith  
 Mayflower Moving & Storage, 611 South Pickett Street,  
 Alexandria, Virginia, advised Special Agents [redacted]  
 [redacted] that approximately  
 four months ago an individual identifying himself as  
 [redacted] and KEN ETO from Chicago, Illinois, came  
 to his offices and told him that they would give him  
 \$1,000 if he would allow them to search the personal  
 effects of FRAIZER JAMES presently maintained in storage  
 by his company. They further advised that they were not  
 interested in any personal or salable items, but only in  
 records maintained in storage [redacted] advised these  
 individuals he would not honor their request, at which  
 time they departed.

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Interviewed on 10/11/73 at Alexandria, Virginia File # AX 49-25

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By \_\_\_\_\_ Date dictated \_\_\_\_\_

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Date of transcription 10/18/73

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[redacted]  
 [redacted] Alexandria, Virginia, advised Special Agent  
 [redacted] had been to offices  
 of [redacted] FRATZER N. JAMES which were located  
 at 4106 Duke Street, Suite 205, and sometime between  
 October 8, 1973, and October 12, 1973, his office had  
 been burglarized and a quantity of records and papers  
 were stolen. She had seen the items which were taken  
 on October 8, 1973, and when she returned on October 12,  
 1973, they were missing. Also, numerous other papers  
 were scattered around the office. However, items having  
 potential value, such as a saber saw and a quantity of  
 tools were left in the office. Among the items she  
 noticed to be missing were an envelop containing Chicago  
 Tribune Newspaper clippings concerning KEN ETO.

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Interviewed on 10/12/73 at Alexandria, Virginia File # AX 49-25

by SAs [redacted] WEB:pdh Date dictated 10/15/73

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Date of transcription 11/15/73

[redacted]  
[redacted] Alexandria, Virginia, furnished the following information:

She advised that from 1965, until 1968 [redacted]  
[redacted] FRAIZER N. JAMES would travel to Chicago once a week. He would meet KEN ETO and/or [redacted] who would deliver to him sums of cash. This amounted to \$2,500 to \$10,000 per week. At all time, JAMES received the payments in cash and was alone. All payments were hand-carried back to Virginia, and deposited in the First and Citizens Bank, Landmark Shopping Center, Alexandria, Virginia, in the Allied Automation, Incorporated, account.

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Interviewed on 11/14/73 at Alexandria, Virginia File # AX 92-98

by SA [redacted] pdh Date dictated 11/15/73

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Date of transcription 1/21/74

[redacted]  
[redacted] Alexandria, Virginia, furnished the following information:

She advised from 1966 to 1968, [redacted] FRAZIER N. JAMES, SR., would travel to Chicago, Illinois, usually on a Friday. He would meet with KEN ETO or [redacted] and they would furnish him with large amounts of cash. This varied from \$2,500 to \$20,000. He would then fly the cash back to Alexandria, and normally deposit it in the Landmark Office of the First and Citizens Bank, United Virginia. She personally observed JAMES with the cash and advised that all records in the possession of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and at United Virginia Bank, First and Citizens Landmark relating to large cash deposits was money furnished to JAMES by ETO.

She also advised that ETO had planned to locate a section of his operation in Washington, D. C. In 1970, plans were being made to form a corporation to be known as Federal Currency Systems, Incorporated. This company was going to engage in the dispensing of coin operated lottery tickets. JAMES was to develop a machine capable of dispensing lottery tickets and ETO and his associates hoped to obtain the Washington, D. C. franchise. This plan failed because of JAMES' ill health. [redacted]

Interviewed on 1/17/74 at Alexandria, Virginia File # AX 49-25

by SA [redacted] :mew Date dictated 1/18/74

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REPORTING OFFICE <b>CHICAGO</b>	OFFICE OF ORIGIN <b>CHICAGO</b>	DATE <b>3/27/74</b>	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD <b>12/27/73-3/19/74</b>
TITLE OF CASE <b>KEN ETO, aka</b>		REPORT MADE BY SA <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 100px; height: 15px;"></span>	TYPED BY <b>gr</b>
CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>AR</b>			

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REFERENCES: Chicago report of SA  dated 12/27/73.  
Chicago teletype to Washington Field Office and Los Angeles dated 2/19/74.  
Chicago teletype to Seattle and Las Vegas dated 3/7/74.

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### LEADS

#### CHICAGO

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Will continue to follow and report subject's activities and associates in Chicago.

### ADMINISTRATIVE

Information copy of this report is being sent to the Alexandria and Los Angeles Divisions inasmuch as current investigation is taking

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place in those Divisions.

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[redacted] contacted on [redacted]  
by Special Agent (SA) [redacted]

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Copy to: 1-USA, Chicago  
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Report of: SA [redacted]  
Date: 3/27/74

Office: Chicago

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Field Office File #: 92-671

Bureau File #: 92-7319

Title: KEN ETO

Character: ANTI-RACKETERRING

Synopsis: ETO discontinuing operation of Taco-Si Corporation  
Skokie, Illinois. [redacted]  
[redacted] subpoenaed. Records [redacted]  
obtained. Efforts continuing to locate [redacted]

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DETAILS:

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

On December 27, 1973, [redacted] Internal  
Revenue Service (IRS) Agent, advised that records previously  
available to the IRS indicated [redacted]

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On January 23, 1974, Chicago Strike Force Attorney, GREGORY WARD, conferred with Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Agents [redacted] and IRS Agent [redacted]

[redacted] The conference concerned a plan Federal Grand Jury (FGJ) investigation of KEN ETO [redacted]

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On [redacted] was recontacted at which time she declined to furnish any information to the FBI.

On February 14, 1974, FBI Agents [redacted] and [redacted] contacted [redacted]

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[redacted] discontinued the contact stating that he did not want to discuss any business matters with the FBI.

On February 14, 1974, [redacted] [redacted] Universal Recording Corporation, 46 East Walton, telephone number [redacted] furnished the following information:

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On January 31, 1974, a notice of eviction was served on the Rumpus Room Corporation. As a result of that notice KEN ETO came into see her and literally cried that he had all his and [redacted] belongings in the basement at 44 East Walton.



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Sometime later [redacted] and KEN ETO came into the Corporation Offices and had a discussion with [redacted] concerning a shut-off notice from the Northern Illinois Gas Company. The shut-off notice was caused by the fact that the Rumpus Room Corporation did not furnish a \$600.00 service deposit. At the time of this contact KEN ETO offered [redacted] an arrangement whereby he was to keep the Rumpus Room Corporation opened on a day to day basis.

Later KEN ETO and [redacted] came in with the \$600.00 cash for the Gas Company deposit. She recalls that [redacted] remarked to her "I work wherever the old man (KEN ETO) sends me." [redacted]

IRS Agent [redacted] who had telephone number [redacted] has contacted her concerning KEN ETO in about June, 1973.

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The eviction notice or to be more exact a five day notice was served on the Rumpus Room Corporation, January 16, 1974.

KEN ETO was in the first part of the week before. ETO put up the security deposit for the Rumpus Room Corporation when [redacted] took over the Corporation.

KEN ETO told her that [redacted]

She learned from [redacted] that KEN ETO offered [redacted] a \$150.00 a day cash in order to continue operating the Rumpus Room Corporation. ETO also made attempts through an attorney to get a court order to stop the eviction. ETO seems to be represented by [redacted]

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[redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted] She last saw [redacted] in the late fall  
around [redacted] She liked  
[redacted] because he seemed to be a happy individual  
who always had a smile on his face.

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[redacted] advised on [redacted] that KEN ETO  
has no control in the operation of Bourbon Street. The  
owners of the same attempted to sell the club and [redacted]  
[redacted] attempted to buy it with ETO in line  
to receive a commission for its sale. [redacted] refused  
to sell Bourbon Street and ETO not only could do nothing about  
that decision but received no money relative to the same.

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[redacted] advised that ETO has lost all his investment  
in Caliendo Finer Foods and owes a considerable sum of money  
to individuals on the street which he can not repay. [redacted]  
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[redacted]  
[redacted] now working  
at Bourbon Street. Although The Talk of The Town lost its  
lease it was not making any money not because of [redacted]  
[redacted] but primarily due to the fact that ETO  
was taking every cent out of the business that he could. It  
is reported that ETO is discontinuing the operation of  
Taco-Si Corporation in Skokie, Illinois.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Chicago, Illinois  
March 27, 1974

In Reply, Please Refer to

File No. CG 92-671

Title KEN ETO

Character ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference is made to Chicago report of  
SA [redacted] dated and  
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All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed  
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Routing Slip  
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Date 6/7/74

To:  Director

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Agent \_\_\_\_\_

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SC \_\_\_\_\_

RE: Report of SA [redacted]

CC \_\_\_\_\_

[redacted] dated 3/21/74.

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Clerk \_\_\_\_\_  Rotor #: \_\_\_\_\_

ACTION DESIRED

Acknowledge  Open Case

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Bring file  Prepare tickler

Call me  Return assignment card

Correct  Return file

Deadline \_\_\_\_\_  Search and return

Deadline passed  See me

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Discontinue  Post  Recharge  Return

Expedite  Send to \_\_\_\_\_

File  Submit new charge out

For information  Submit report by \_\_\_\_\_

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Initial & return

Leads need attention

Return with explanation or notation as to action taken.

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**CONFIRMATION**

Attached herewith are three amended copies of page 13 of referenced report. Bureau is requested to correct its copies. SAC Alexandria, Los Angeles, Chicago and USA copies corrected.

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**ENCLOSURE**  
See reverse side

SAC RICHARD C. HELD

Office Chicago

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE <b>CHICAGO</b>	OFFICE OF ORIGIN <b>CHICAGO</b>	DATE <b>MAY 22 1974</b>	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD <b>3/21/74 - 5/14/74</b>
TITLE OF CASE <b>KEN ETO, aka</b>		REPORT MADE BY SA <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 100px; height: 15px;"></span>	TYPED BY <b>rdo</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>AR</b>	b6 b7C

REFERENCE: Chicago report of SA  dated 3/27/74.  
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 Los Angeles airtel to Chicago, 4/16/74.

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LEADS

LOS ANGELES

1. AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA. Will continue efforts to locate and interview
2. Will attempt to obtain information to locate  from

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3. Will obtain information on financing and foundation of Taco-Si Corporation, Skokie, Illinois.

NEW ORLEANS

AT NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA. Will locate [redacted]

[redacted]  
in New Orleans, regarding [redacted] association with subject and knowledge of subject.

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CHICAGO

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Will continue to follow and report subject's activities and associates in Chicago.

ADMINISTRATIVE

An information copy of this report is being sent to the Alexandria Division inasmuch as current investigation on the subject is taking place in that division.

INFORMANTS

Dates of Contact

Contacting Agent

Special Agent [redacted]

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[redacted]  
[redacted] who was contacted on April 2, 1974, and  
numerous other dates by Special Agent [redacted]

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Report of: SA [redacted]  
Date: MAY 22 1974

Office: Chicago

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Field Office File #: 92-671

Bureau File #: 92-7319

Title: KEN ETO

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis:

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[redacted] ETO reportedly no longer involved in Bolita and at end of involvement in 1969, was paying Chicago Police officers \$3,000 a week.

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DETAILS: AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

The following information was received by communication dated April 16, 1974, from the Los Angeles Division:

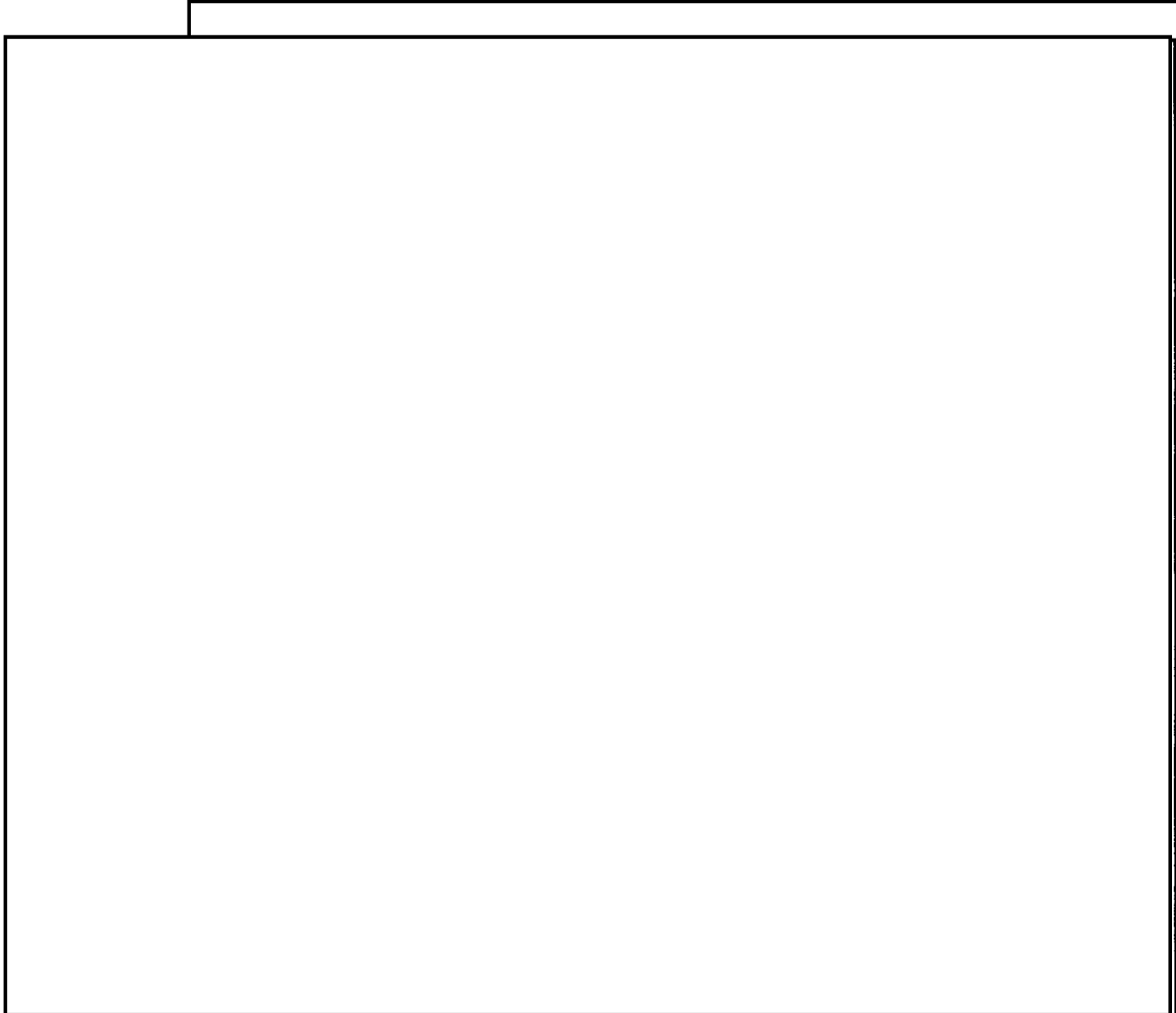
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Continuous efforts to locate and interview [redacted] [redacted] negative as investigation reveals no person identifiable in the agencies checks, Los Angeles indices and or logical investigation.

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AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

On [redacted]  
[redacted] the Nesi Bowlum, 4363 North Sheridan Road, advised that he has obtained no additional information on KEN ETO since last being contacted by the FBI.

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On April 2, 1974, [redacted] advised that [redacted]

[redacted]  
[redacted] Taco-Si Corporation is now closed but the office is still being run by a secretary. KEN ETO is trying to get the creditors of Taco-Si to agree to take 50 cents on the dollar in order to cover his debts of \$30,000. An individual who would know quite a bit about Taco-Si Corporation would be [redacted] a white female who is now [redacted] [redacted] also is reported to have lent money to the corporation. Source advised that much of the money lent to the corporation in the names of the afore mentioned individuals was actually money belonging to KEN ETC.

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Date of transcription 4/8/74

[Redacted]

[Redacted] was interviewed in the presence of and in the office of Chicago Strike Force Attorney GREGORY WARD, in response to issuance of a Federal Grand Jury subpoena [Redacted] furnished the following information:

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by SA [Redacted] [Redacted] Date dictated 4/5/74

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On [redacted]  
Triangle Camera Company, 3445 North Broadway, telephone  
number [redacted] was contacted by Special Agents [redacted]  
[redacted] and [redacted] advised:

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[redacted] stated that he is aware of KEN ETO as  
are all people of Japanese descent in Chicago. He stated  
that an individual who is suppose to be a friend of KEN  
ETO's, [redacted] is now operating a Japanese restaurant  
in New Orleans, Louisiana, known as the Seven Samarai's.

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On April 16, 1974 [redacted]  
was recontacted at which time she advised she has heard  
no additional information about [redacted]

On April 23, 1974 [redacted]

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[redacted] stated that if he received any information  
on the whereabouts of [redacted] he would contact the  
FBI.

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On [redacted]

[redacted] THOMAS  
KAWASAKI who was one of the chief workers for KEN ETO in  
ETO's Bolita operation. KAWASAKI was working for ETO at  
Taco-Si Corporation but died of a heart attack last year,  
[redacted] was the right  
hand man of KEN ETO in the Bolita operation. [redacted]

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[redacted] continued by stating that ETO discontinued  
his Bolita operation in about 1969. [redacted]

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On May 14, 1974, [redacted] Bureau of  
Inspectional Services, Chicago Police Department, 1121  
South State Street, telephone number [redacted] was contacted  
by Special Agents [redacted]  
in the vicinity of Berwyn and Broadway where he advised that  
he too was investigating KEN ETO. [redacted] stated that ETO  
continues to reside in the Lampliter Tower Apartments.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Chicago, Illinois

May 22, 1974

In Reply, Please Refer to

File No.

CG 92-671

Title KEN ETO, aka

Character ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent [redacted] dated and captioned as above.

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All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO *ST* DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 8/29/74

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FROM : SAC, ALEXANDRIA (92-98)(P)

SUBJECT: FRED B. BLACK, JR.;  
KEN ETO  
NBA; AR  
(OO: AX)

Review of extensive records of files siezed in Alexandria Division continues. Information developed is primarily of interest to Chicago anti-racketeering case involving KEN ETO and information of value is being furnished to Chicago by separate communication as developed.

The activities of the U. S. Bankruptcy Court in Alexandria, Virginia, are being regularly monitored by reporting Agent. Activities in this court proceed very slowly and continuances are granted often. In July, 1974, a sale of all assets of the bankrupt entities involved in this matter was set and [redacted] to FRED B. BLACK, JR. indicated that bids would be submitted by his organization. However, this sale was postponed until mid-September, 1974.

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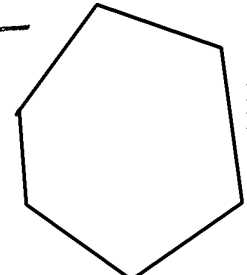
AUSA DAVID H. HOPKINS has requested that activities in Bankruptcy Court continue to be monitored and upon revisions and completion of bankruptcy sales, he will render prosecutive opinion in this matter.

Alexandria will keep the Bureau advised of pertinent developments in this case; no report being submitted at this time due to lack of substantial activity occurring in this matter at this time.

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TITLE OF CASE <b>KEN ETO, aka</b>		REPORT MADE BY SA <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 100px; height: 15px;"></span>	TYPED BY <b>daw</b>
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 Los Angeles letter to Chicago dated 5/30/74.  
 Alexandria letter to Chicago dated 6/18/74.  
 Chicago airtel to Alexandria dated 7/15/74.  
 New Orleans letter to Chicago dated 7/25/74.  
 Los Angeles letter to Chicago dated 7/30/74.  
 Chicago airtel to Los Angeles dated 8/8/74.  
 Honolulu airtel to Chicago dated 8/7/74.  
 Los Angeles airtel to Chicago dated 8/16/74.

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CONVIC.	FUG.	FINES	SAVINGS	RECOVERIES			
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CHICAGO

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. 1) Will continue to follow and report subject's activities and associates in Chicago.

2) Will continue to maintain contact with Chicago Strike Force Attorneys.

ADMINISTRATIVE

An information copy of this report is being sent to the Alexandria and Los Angeles Divisions inasmuch as current investigation of the subject is taking place in those divisions.

Chicago Strike Force Attorney DOUGLAS ROLLER confidentially advised that it appears certain to him that KEN ETO will be indicted by a FGJ in Chicago, sometime in early October for conspiracy to sell narcotics. ROLLER advised that a Government Agent was introduced to KEN ETO by [redacted] The Government Agent had several meetings with ETO at which time the conversations were taped. ETO was attempting to sell somewhere in the neighborhood of \$400,000. worth of narcotics to the Government Agent. The transaction never took place. ETO apparently was warned by someone he was dealing with a Government Agent. ROLLER stated that ETO did take some action such as placing an ad on two occasions in the Indianapolis newspaper. ROLLER feels that it is not the strongest case in the world but nevertheless ETO should be indicted for conspiracy to sell narcotics.

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<u>Source</u>	<u>Date Contacted</u>	<u>Contacting Agent</u>
[redacted]		SA [redacted] [redacted]
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Report of: SA [REDACTED] Office: CHICAGO  
Date: SEP 27 1974  
Field Office File #: 92-671 Bureau File #: 92-7319  
Title: KEN ETO

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Character: ANTI - RACKETEERING

Synopsis: [REDACTED] advised KEN ETO was in control of Taco-Si Corporation. Records of the **Rumpus Room** Corporation, obtained by the FBI and later furnished to the IRS indicate a "skimming" operation by [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] advised KEN ETO [REDACTED] were financial backers of FRASIER N. JAMES in Alexandria, Virginia. KEN ETO advised he knows [REDACTED] is ok.

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DETAILS: AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

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[redacted] Special Agents (SAs), Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Intelligence were supplied with three packages of columna sheets pertaining to the operation of Rumpo Room Corporation. [redacted] These records were obtained from the office of the Rumpo Room Corporation, at 44 East Walton in Chicago.

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[redacted] advised on [redacted] that KEN ETO maintained a line of foosball machines approximately two years ago. These machines were approximately seven feet long and were coin operated. They were distributed throughout Kentucky, Tennessee, Illinois, and Virginia. The outlets for these machines primarily were associates of ETO or contacts from ETO's organization. [redacted] continued that the late FRASIER JAMES had collaborated with KEN ETO on numerous occasions and was attempting to perfect a more profitable foosball machine. [redacted]

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[redacted] During a period from 1965 to 1966, approximately \$200,000.00 in cash was funneled from KEN ETO to FRASIER JAMES through various routes. One of the banks who use to watch the money was the Third National Bank of Nashville, Tennessee. [redacted]

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On June 21, 1974, [redacted] IRS, Supra, advised he has been able to determine that [redacted]

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[redacted] advised that he too is a Japanese-American as is KEN ETO.

[redacted] stated that he felt that [redacted] had some connection with KEN ETO.

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AT HONOLULU, HAWAII

[redacted]  
Honolulu, Hawaii, advised SA [redacted] on August 2,  
1974, that she has no idea where [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted] The only person she knew besides ETO  
who might know of [redacted] whereabouts was [redacted]  
[redacted] in Chicago, whose name she cannot now recall.

On August 5, 1974 [redacted]  
[redacted] confirmed that his wife does not know the  
present whereabouts of [redacted], and  
has received no information concerning him for over a year  
and a half.

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On [redacted] advised [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted] use to be a

Bolita Agent<sup>e</sup> for KEN ETO.

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Date of transcription 9/25/741

KEN ETO was telephonically contacted at his residence area code (312)693-7573 and asked if he would meet with Special Agent (SA) [redacted] to discuss the whereabouts of [redacted]. [redacted] ETO stated that he knows that [redacted] is ok but would not furnish any basis for such knowledge. ETO stated that he knew where [redacted] was but would not help the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) because the FBI was trying to put him in jail. He concluded by stating that he did not wish to meet with any FBI agent.

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by SA [redacted] daw Date dictated 9/23/74

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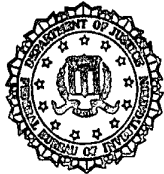
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Continuous contact has been maintained with Chicago Strike Force Attorney GREGORY WARD concerning the Grand Jury investigation of KEN ETO [REDACTED] [REDACTED] To date [REDACTED] have appeared before the Grand Jury. Mr. WARD stated that he wishes to subpoena [REDACTED] and is also considering getting out a material witness warrant for [REDACTED]

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
Chicago, Illinois  
September 27, 1974

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No. 92-671

Title	KEN ETO
Character	ANTI - RACKETEERING
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REFERENCES: Chicago report of SA  dated 9/27/74.  
 Seattle letter to Chicago dated 9/26/74.  
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 Chicago letter to Miami dated 10/9/74.  
 San Juan letter to Chicago dated 10/15/74.  
 Miami airtel to Chicago dated 10/25/74.  
 Seattle letter to Chicago dated 11/15/74.  
 Memphis letter to Chicago dated 11/18/74.  
 Chicago airtel to Alexandria dated 11/26/74.  
 Los Angeles letter to Chicago dated 11/29/74.  
 Alexandria airtel to Chicago dated 11/29/74.  
 San Juan letter to Chicago dated 12/31/74.

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							PENDING OVER ONE YEAR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO

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CHICAGO

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Will continue to follow and report subject's activities and associates in Chicago.

2. Will continue to maintain contact with Chicago Strike Force Attorneys.

ADMINISTRATIVE

An information copy of this report is being sent to the Alexandria Division inasmuch as current investigation of the subject is taking place in that division.

Chicago Strike Force Attorney DOUGLAS ROLLER, confidentially advised that the Department of Justice has declined any prosecution of KEN ETO for narcotic violations. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

testimony would be essential to convict ETO and inasmuch as [REDACTED] there is no likelihood of her cooperation with the Government.

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<u>Source</u>	<u>Date Contacted</u>	<u>Contacting Agent</u>
[REDACTED]		SA [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

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Report of: SA [redacted]

Office: Chicago, Illinois

Date: FEB 3 1975

Field Office File #: 92-671

Bureau File #: 92-7319

Title: KEN ETO

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis:

[redacted] appeared before the FGJ, Chicago,  
on 11/5/74 [redacted]  
[redacted] IRS subpoenas  
served on KEN ETO [redacted]  
[redacted]

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DETAILS: AT SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

On August 1, 1974, the criminal records of  
the Seattle, Washington, Police Department reflected

[redacted]

[redacted] there was no  
other information of value.

The criminal records of the King County  
Sheriff's Office (SO), Seattle, Washington, were also  
reviewed on August 1, 1974, with negative results as  
to any positive information on [redacted]

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On August 1, 1974, the records of the Seattle, Washington, Credit Bureau were reviewed and reflected that

[REDACTED]

With the exception of two 100 case references, one which proved not identical and the other file had been destroyed, there was no information of value in the Seattle indices.

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On September 23, 1974, [REDACTED] telephone number [REDACTED] was contacted and advised that he still has not heard from [REDACTED] since he was last contacted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). He stated that if he heard from [REDACTED] he would advise the FBI.

AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

On September 20, 1974, contact with [REDACTED] reflected the following information:

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[REDACTED] had been in contact with KEN ETO within the past few weeks and was unable to locate a one [REDACTED] heard [REDACTED] was in the Chicago area but that information was strictly through the grapevine.

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[REDACTED] had heard of [REDACTED] and knew at one time that he had been involved with a [REDACTED] in Chicago.

On the same date attempts to contact [REDACTED] at [REDACTED] California, were negative as the business was closed.

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AT NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

On October 3, 1974, a review of the Nashville, Tennessee, City Directory, disclosed [redacted] is an [redacted] and his residence is listed as [redacted]. [redacted] Efforts to locate a company in Nashville, Tennessee, doing business as [redacted] [redacted] met with negative results.

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Contact was made with a company doing business as [redacted] [redacted] and an individual having the name [redacted] was unknown.

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On October 3, 1974 [redacted] Sanders Amusement Company, 612 - 8th Avenue, South, advised that he was familiar with an amusement game called "Foosball," stating that his company was the largest distributor of amusement machines in the State of Tennessee. He stated that Foosball is very limited in this state and he has only seen one such machine and has no idea at this time where he saw it; and furthermore, has no idea who might be distributing the machine. [redacted] further stated that KEN ETO was unknown to him.

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Date of transcription 11/12/74

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Tennessee, advised that he is self-employed as  
at his residence.

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by SA [Redacted] /sdp - 5 - Date dictated 11/5/74

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] stated he cannot recall at this time whether he met KEN ETO or [REDACTED] stating that he dealt at various times with ETO and [REDACTED] and never could tell one from the other. At this meeting at the airport, either ETO or [REDACTED] which ever one was at the airport, turned over to him, [REDACTED] \$10,000 for expenses for JAMES with authority to pay the expenses to come from [REDACTED] or ETO prior to making any payments. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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In approximately August, 1969, JAMES forwarded from Washington, D. C., 17 cartons of papers requesting that he, [redacted] again bring his personal accounts up to date.

[redacted] stated that he does not have any copies of this paper work; although, he does recall that a substantial increase in money was flowing through JAMES by either ETO or [redacted] and as he recalls, approximately \$250,000 could be traced through JAMES. He stated that following this accounting, he returned all the documents to JAMES in Washington, D. C.

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[redacted] was asked his opinion as to how ETO and JAMES ever got together and he stated that ETO was probably introduced to JAMES by [redacted] who was a "con man at best" and was continuously involved in some type of sales position of one type or another and did at one time work for JAMES.

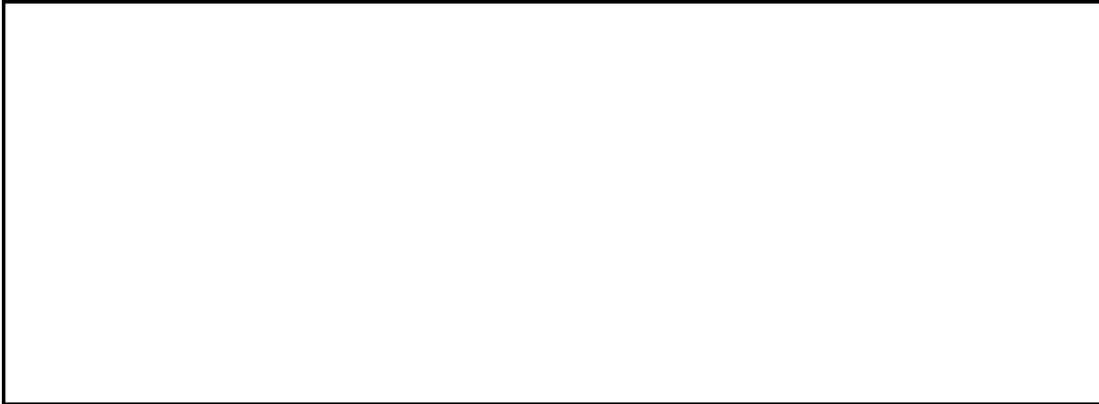
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[redacted] stated he has no idea how to get ahold of ETO, or [redacted] stated that the name [redacted] was familiar to him and it does appear in items of correspondence and business papers of JAMES', which he currently has in his possession; however, he does not know [redacted] or have any idea of his association with JAMES.

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AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Frequent contact has been made with Chicago Strike Force Attorney GREGORY WARD between September 30, 1974, and January 22, 1975. Mr. WARD advised that on November 5, 1974, [redacted] appeared before the Federal Grand Jury (FGJ). [redacted]

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[redacted] WARD further advised the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) has served subpoenas on ETO [redacted]

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Chicago, Illinois

**FEB 3 1975**

In Reply, Please Refer to  
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Title KEN ETO

Character ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference Reference is made to Chicago report  
of SA [redacted] dated and cap-  
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**REFERENCE:** Chicago report of SA  dated 2/3/75.  
 Memphis airtel to Chicago dated 2/12/75.  
 Los Angeles letter to Chicago dated 3/7/75.

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Office: Chicago

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Title: KEN ETO

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Synopsis: [redacted] interviewed in Nashville, Tennessee. Criston Foods reportedly invested money in Taco-Si. [redacted] arrested by FBI agents 3/7/75, for violation Illegal Gambling Business statute.

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DETAILS: AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

[redacted] advised on [redacted]  
[redacted] was an "agente" in a Bolita operation conducting and controlled by KEN ETO in the late 1960's. [redacted]

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 2/5/75

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[redacted]  
 Nashville, Tennessee, advised that he was acquainted with FRAZIER N. JAMES [redacted] who died approximately 1 1/2 years ago, and whose estate is still "tied up" in the court, with [redacted] Alexandria, Virginia, being named as claimants in that estate.

[redacted] was acquainted with two individuals from Chicago, both of whom are Japanese, [redacted] and KEN ETO. He stated that he met these two individuals through FRAZIER JAMES and both of these individuals were at a bankruptcy sale in Alexandria, Virginia, when the Referee in Bankruptcy was selling an automated bank teller device, which JAMES had invented, and which was part of the estate. [redacted] stated that as he recalls, \$50,000 was the asking price for this equipment and ETO could not raise enough money, and the patents and equipment were subsequently auctioned off for \$200,000 to a separate bidder. This bidder could not pay the money for the equipment and it was subsequently reclaimed by the Referee in Bankruptcy at Alexandria.

[redacted] stated that ETO, to the best of his knowledge, is possibly in the vending machine business in Chicago and also owns a club known as the Bourbon Street Club in "Old Town" Chicago. [redacted] stated he recalls being at the club on one occasion during the Shrine Convention in Chicago three or four years ago.

[redacted] stated that he is not familiar with all of the financial transactions between ETO and FRAZIER JAMES, although he estimated that ETO either loaned funds or generated funds amounting to approximately \$20,000 for JAMES.

[redacted] stated that he was unaware of any fund holdings of ETO or [redacted] in Chicago or any other place for that matter.

Interviewed on 1/30/75 at Nashville, Tennessee File # ME 92-1167  
 by SA [redacted] /sdp 3 Date dictated 2/3/75

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[redacted] stated that he does recall being with ETO and [redacted] in Nashville, Tennessee, when they met [redacted] several years ago, although he has no particular recollection of that meeting and he was [redacted] FRAZIER JAMES, at that time.

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[redacted] Nashville, Tennessee, was reminded of a previous interview wherein he advised Special Agent [redacted] of the FBI that [redacted]

[redacted] asked if he had any records concerning

[Large redacted area]

Interviewed on 2/10/75 at Nashville, Tennessee File # CG 92-871  
MD 92-1187

by SA [redacted] /sdp Date dictated 2/10/75

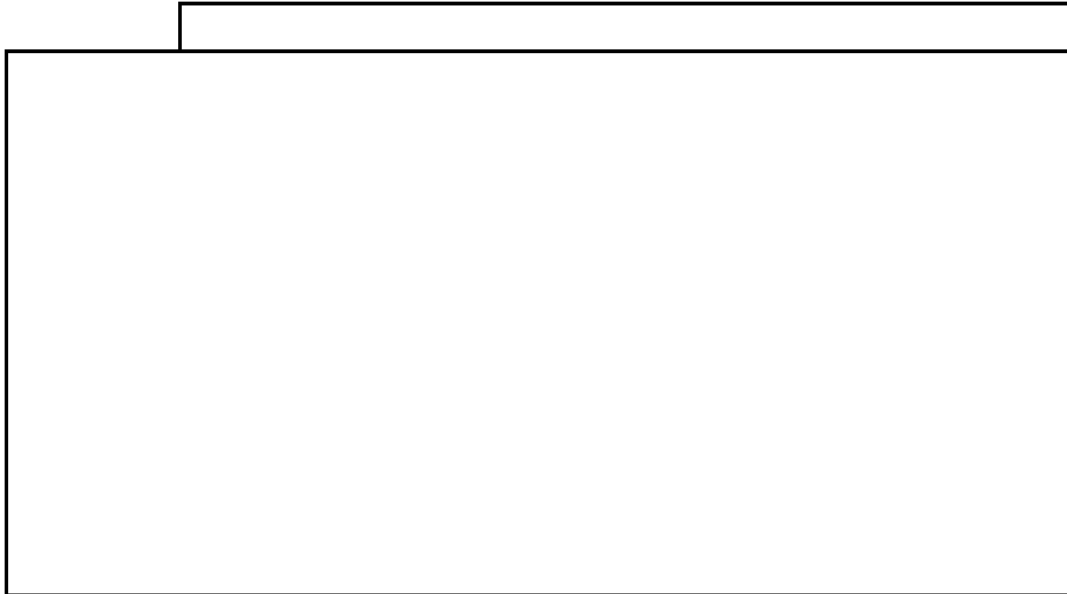
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[redacted] was displayed a photograph of KEN ETO and he stated that he did not know ETO well enough that he could identify him, even if he saw him in person, nor could he identify [redacted] should he see him in person.

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[redacted] stated that he was not familiar with



[redacted] was again asked if he was acquainted with any equipment such as theatre ticket machines and "foos-ball" machines manufactured and developed by KEN ETO and he stated that he was not familiar with any of these devices.

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AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

On [redacted] was contacted at his place of business [redacted] [redacted] advised that he knows KEN ETO. [redacted] stated he has no specific information to furnish regarding ETO other than his general reputation as a hoodlum which is known to all Japanese Americans in Chicago.

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AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

By letter received March 13, 1975, the Los Angeles Division advised that contact with [redacted] [redacted] California, proved negative as [redacted] advised she has had no contact with [redacted] and has not received any information concerning his whereabouts.

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Recent contact by agents in Los Angeles with [redacted] at the Airporter Inn, New Port Beach, California, also proved negative [redacted] advised he has not been in contact recently with anyone who might know the whereabouts of [redacted]

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

On March 10, 1975, agents of the Chicago Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) conducted a raid on the Tides-Sands Motel, 5235 North Sheridan Road. A room in that motel served as a tabulation room for a numbers and policy gambling operation on the south side of Chicago. Search warrants were executed at 4:30 PM on March 10, 1975. Arrests at that location were: [redacted]

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[redacted] and [redacted] also arrested by the Chicago Police Department was [redacted]

At the time of the search volumes of records of all types were found in the motel room and all individuals named were interrupted in the process of tabulating such policy in numbers bets. Three vehicles were seized by the FBI on basis of their involvement in the gambling operation. Approximately \$1600 in United States currency was seized.

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Records of the Intelligence Division, Chicago Police Department connect [redacted] with KEN ETO. The other two individuals arrested by the FBI are Negro males who according to records of the Gang Intelligence Unit of the Chicago Police Department are members of the Blackstone Rangers, a Chicago street gang.

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Continuous contact has been maintained with Chicago Strike Force Attorney GREGORY WARD between January 28, 1975, and March 25, 1975. WARD advised that he has received information that after the close of the Rumpus Room Corporation money seemed to be invested in Taco-Si Corporation from Criston Foods. It was pointed out to Mr. WARD that [redacted] [redacted] Criston Foods [redacted] was at one time associated with ETO in Taci-Si Corporation.

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Mr. WARD advised that the Internal Revenue Service is continuing its investigation of KEN ETO and Taco-Si Corporation.



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Chicago, Illinois

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In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No. CG 92-671

Title **KEN ETO**

Character **ANTI-RACKETEERING**

Reference **is made to the report of Special Agent**  
**[redacted] dated and captioned as**  
**above.**

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REFERENCE: Chicago report of SA  dated 3/31/75.

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AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Will continue to follow and report subject's activities and associates in Chicago. Will continue to maintain contact with Chicago Strike Force attorney.

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Report of: SA [REDACTED] Office: Chicago, Illinois  
Date: JUN 13 1975

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Field Office File #: 92-671 Bureau File #: 92-7319

Title: KEN ETO

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: KEN ETO associating with DOMINIC DI BELLA. ETO reportedly no longer involved in "bolita" gambling operation among Puerto Ricans. Taco-Si Corporation received monies from Criston Foods, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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DETAILS: AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

[REDACTED] advised on [REDACTED] that KEN ETO has not been seen in the Rush Street area as frequently in the past several weeks. ETO has been meeting on a regular basis with ~~DOMINIC DI BELLA~~ at Cartan's Restaurant.

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On [REDACTED] better known as [REDACTED] Chicago, furnished the following information to Special Agents (SAs) [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]  
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He has known KEN ETO since when they both resided together in Seattle, Washington. He knows ETO as a gambler from the days when [REDACTED]  
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[REDACTED] KEN ETO operated card games on the second floor of the Del Prato Hotel.

[redacted] last saw ETO two months ago at the Tide's Motel located at 5235 North Sheridan Road.

[redacted] both associates of KEN ETO [redacted] has seen them frequently in the past several months at the restaurant lounge of the Tide's Motel.

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On April 16, 1975, SAs [redacted] and [redacted] contacted NATHAN ZUKERMAN, Manager, Crystal Hotel, 1110 North Clark Street, where he furnished the following information:

He is the manager of the Crystal Hotel through the sponsorship of his good friend JOHN GATTUSO. He returned to Chicago three years ago from Baltimore, Maryland. He used to know KEN ETO very well when he was operating a gambling location in Chicago, and ETO was a customer. He has not seen ETO since returning to Chicago and feels he will not see him. ZUKERMAN stated that he is losing his eye sight and is 74 years old.

On May 1, 1975, [redacted] [redacted] advised she knows MIKE GLITTA who owns the Adult Book Store known as Te Jay's at 52 East Grand Avenue. She has heard of KEN ETO, but could furnish no information relating to ETO.

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On May 21, 1975, [redacted] Investigator, Chicago Crime Commission, 59 West Monroe Street, advised that contact with [redacted] revealed to him that [redacted] has made attempts to open masage parlors in the Rush Street area of Chicago [redacted] has been unable to open in that location because he has not been able to get the support of KEN ETO.

On [redacted] advised that KEN ETO is no longer involved in the "bolita" operation among the Puerto Rican people in Chicago. ETO was forced out of that operation by the fact that he was in debt of hundres of thousands of dollars to the players of bolita who won. ETO's operation was known as "Chino Bolita".

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It would be very difficult for the "outfit" to re-establish their control of "bolita" without paying off the hundreds of thousands of dollars they have cheated the Puerto Rican community.

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[REDACTED] advised that KEN ETO funded the operation of Taco-Si Corporation through monies obtained from the Rumpus Room Corporation. When the Rumpus Room Corporation was no longer able to provide monies for Taco-Si, ETO turned to [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Monies were lent to Taco-Si Corporation by Criston Foods. Source advised that it appeared to him that Criston Foods was in no way in a position to provide monies to anyone other than itself.



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Chicago, Illinois  
June 13, 1975

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No. CG 92-671

Title KEN ETO

Character ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference Reference is made to Chicago report  
of SA [redacted] dated and  
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REFERENCE: Chicago report of SA [redacted] dated 6/13/75.

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AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Will continue to follow and report subject's activities and associates in Chicago. Will continue to maintain contact with Chicago Strike Force Attorney, GREGORY WARD.

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[redacted] is [redacted] date of contact [redacted]  
SA [redacted] is [redacted]  
The dates of contact are [redacted] and  
[redacted] The contacting agent is [redacted]  
[redacted] is [redacted] the date of contact [redacted] the  
contacting agent Special Agent of the Columbia, South  
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Report of: SA [REDACTED]  
Date: 10/8/75

Office: CHICAGO

Field Office File #: 92-671

Bureau File #: 92-7319

Title: KEN ETO

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: KEN ETO observed Tides Motel and Bourbon Street Nightclub. ETO reportedly opening nightclub to be called Country Store, 900 block North Rush Street. [REDACTED] formerly doing business [REDACTED] South Carolina, now in Chicago, working for KEN ETO. Toll call records for KEN ETO set forth. ETO under investigation by Internal Revenue Service(IRS).

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DETAILS:

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

On [REDACTED] advised that he has observed KEN ETO in the restaurant of the Tides Motel at 5235 North Sheridan Road on several occasions within the past several months. Source advised that ETO uses the Tides Motel when he wants a place to take his girlfriend.

On [REDACTED] advised that KEN ETO is planning on opening a new nightclub in the 900 block of North Rush Street. The club will be known as the Country Store and will be located next door to Faces. The Rush Currency Exchange is across the street.

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On [redacted] advised that KEN ETO does not appear to be in good health.

On [redacted] advised [redacted]

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[redacted] While [redacted] operating [redacted] he was "bleeding" all the profits from the club and using the money to repay a debt to KEN ETO in Chicago. ETO, "also known as JOE the JAP" placed a great deal of pressure on [redacted] from Chicago, to repay the loan.

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[redacted] is presently working in a lounge on Rush Street in Chicago, for KEN ETO.

On [redacted] advised that KEN ETO has been seen on numerous occasions at Bourbon Street, 933 North Rush Street. Bourbon Street is operated by some Chicagoans of Japanese decent who are fronts for ETO.

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On [redacted] advised that the Internal Revenue Service(IRS) is investigating KEN ETO and ETO's involvement in Taco-CSI Corporation, [redacted]

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Date of transcription 8/16/75

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A subpoena duces tecum was served on [redacted]

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The following are the results of a review of [redacted]

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by SA [redacted] lap Date dictated 8/14/75

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On September 16, 1975, [REDACTED] Pavilion apartmenthouse, 5441 North East River Road, Chicago, Illinois, telephone 693-5400, advised that KEN ETO continues to reside in apartment 1501 in the 5451 building. He has resided in that apartment since August, 1971. ETO has constantly resided with a young white female. ETO is driving a recent model Chevrolet Monte Carlo with 1975 Illinois license UH9507.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Chicago, Illinois

October 8, 1975

Title **KEN ETO, aka**

Character **Anti-Racketeering**

Reference **is made to Chicago report of SA**   
 **dated and captioned as above.**

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AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. 1) Will continue to follow and report subject's activities and associates in Chicago.

2) Will continue to maintain contact with Chicago Strike Force Attorney GREGORY WARD.

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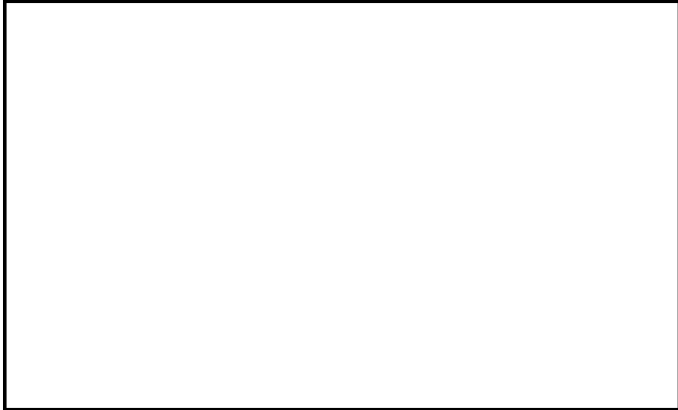
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Contact with  Special Agent (SA) IRS - Intelligence, has developed information that the IRS investigation has been authorized by the Regional Counselor's Office concerning KEN ETO. 



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Report of: SA [REDACTED] Office: Chicago

Date: FEB 20 1976

Field Office File #: 92-671 Bureau File #: 92-7319

Title: KEN ETO

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Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: ETO personally involved in renting Food Processing Plant, 7625 North Austin Boulevard, Skokie, Illinois, to current occupants Grecian Delight Incorporated. ETO is associated with [REDACTED] Thatcher Finance Company, Chicago. Bourbon Street Night Club, 936 North Rush Street, now doing business as Country on Rush. ETO interviewed November 21, 1975.

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DETAILS:

At Chicago, Illinois

On [REDACTED] advised that KEN ETO and [REDACTED] formerly ran a gambling operation at the Del Prado Hotel. Source continued by stating that ETO was known as "BONSALEACH" which means smooth belly, to his friends on Rush Street.

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Date of transcription 11/17/75

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[redacted] Grecian Delight, Incorporated,  
7625 North Austin Boulevard, Skokie, Illinois, telephone  
967-8804 advised as follows:

Grecian Delight Incorporated is involved in the  
processing of Greek food specialties. The greater proportion  
of their business consists of making Gyros which is a  
meatloaf of lamb and beef.

He located [redacted] through [redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted] in Chicago. [redacted]  
[redacted] introduced him to KEN ETO. He was of the opinion  
that KEN ETO owned the food processing plant at his  
current location. He met with ETO five or six times about  
three months ago. His last meeting with ETO was at  
[redacted] Office which is the location of Thatcher  
Finance Company, telephone number 453-0593.

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A couple of his contacts with KEN ETO were  
at the Country and Western Lounge on Rush Street. At that time  
he met ETO with [redacted] He agreed to pay  
\$4,000.00 for equipment in the plant. The \$4,000.00 and  
the rent for the plant, the rent being \$2,000.00 a month  
are all paid to trust account number [redacted]  
[redacted]

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by SA [redacted] JEH/cap Date dictated 11/12/75

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Date of transcription 11/28/75

On November 21, 1975, at approximately 3:00 PM Special Agent (SA) [redacted] entered the night club, Country On Rush, 936 North Rush Street, Chicago, Illinois. In response to a question directed to practicing band members, "Is the manager in," the response was, "Joe is in the rear." Shortly thereafter SA [redacted] observed KEN ETO emerging from the rear of the club.

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KEN ETO advised that he is only helping his friends at Country On Rush and he is not in fact the manager. ETO suggested to SA [redacted] that they go across the street to the Orange Tree Restaurant for a cup of coffee.

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At the Orange Tree Restaurant KEN ETO advised that he is now 56 years of age and is no longer involved in gambling. He stated it was well known that he had run gambling operations in the past and he did so because he had a "license". He explained that a license meant that the local authorities did not interfere with his operation and thus he in effect had a license.

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His good friends [redacted] have closed the Bourbon Street Night Club at 936 North Rush Street because it went bankrupt. He assisted his friends by advising them to change the name of Bourbon Street to Country On Rush and attempt to cash in on the popularity of country and western music. They brought in some recording stars in the country and western field and attempted to have a two dollar coverage charge for entrance. The customers resisted the coverage charge and the operation was not progressing as planned. He then advised [redacted] and [redacted] that they should again install go-go girls at Country On Rush. Country on Rush now features country and western music plus Country Bumpkin dancers (go-go girls).

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by SA [redacted] rdb Date dictated 11/25/75

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He stated he was disappointed that Chicago Police officers were indicted for extorting money from taverns. He said that it was unjust that a few selected police officers were sentenced to the penitentiary for taking monies from taverns when all police officers had done the same up to that time. He felt if anyone should have gone to prison it should have been the high ranking policemen who condoned such activity.

He stated that he did not have any information to furnish about anyone else pointing out the fact that surveillance of his person which showed that he traveled by himself. He makes a point of not becoming involved in other people's business.

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12/23/75

Date of transcription

[redacted] was contacted at his residence [redacted] telephone number [redacted] where he furnished the following information:

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[redacted] the Bourbon Street, Corporation now doing business as Country On Rush, 936 North Rush Street [redacted] is [redacted]

His friend, KEN ETO is assisting in the management of Country On Rush. ETO receives no remuneration for his consultation regarding the operation of Country On Rush.

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[redacted] advised he had no further information to furnish.

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SAs [redacted] and JEO/cmc Date dictated 12/17/75  
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On [redacted] advised that when KEN ETO was arrested in 1968, along with other hoodlums and commerce bootleggers for Bolita operation in Illinois [redacted]

[redacted] The defense used the legal tactics of separating the Orientals from the Puerto Ricans during proceedings. They were separated and the Orientals were represented by [redacted] and the Puerto Ricans by [redacted]. [redacted] The final disposition of the case resulted in charges being dismissed against the Orientals. Some of the Puerto Ricans were convicted and were punished by being fined up to \$300.00 [redacted]

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On [redacted] advised that KEN ETO was a major figure in the organized crime group on the North side of Chicago [redacted]

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On [redacted] advised that KEN ETO had been observed with [redacted] at a retail fake fur store known as "Fureal". Fureal is located in the 7000 block of North Broadway. Source felt ETO may have obtained some control of that location.

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On [redacted] advised that KEN ETO is now leasing the entire building at 933 North Rush Street from [redacted]

[redacted] ETO formerly leased only the first floor. Source also learned that ETO is planning on selling something connected with Cabindo's Finer Foods on or about March 1, 1976.

[redacted] advised on [redacted] that [redacted] continues to associate with ETO at the Fureal. [redacted]

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Reference Chicago report of Special Agent  
(SA) [redacted] dated and  
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ADMINISTRATIVE

I// An Anti-Racketeering file was opened on the subject in 9/58. ETO has been closely associated with Chicago organized crime figures in the Chicago near north side area and has been involved in gambling activities primarily involving Bolita and numbers. ETO has never been in a decision making capacity although he has, over the years, known to meet frequently with DOMINIC DI BELLA, the present head of this area, and JOSEPH DI VARCO, DI BELLA's lieutenant, who will shortly take over the reins inasmuch as DI BELLA has terminal cancer. ETO figures prominently in a current gambling investigation

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of the Chicago Division. Chicago file 182-1203, entitled [redacted] It is expected that ETO will be indicted along with others in this gambling investigation.

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Inasmuch as ETO is involved in a substantive gambling investigation and has not had any major position in the Chicago north side hoodlum organization, and also due to the fact that over the years no substantive violations have been developed concerning KEN ETO, no further investigation will be conducted. It is noted that all background has been developed concerning the subject and should circumstances warrant, the Anti-Racketeering investigation will be opened. This case is being closed on the authority of the SAC.

INFORMANTS

<u>Source</u>	<u>Date of Contact</u>	<u>Contacting Agent</u>
[redacted]		SA [redacted]

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Report of: SA [REDACTED] Office: Chicago  
Date: June 11, 1976

Field Office File #: 92-671 Bureau File #: 92-7319

Title: KEN ETO

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: Subject observed at Cartons Restaurant with DOMINIC DI BELLA, 4/12/76. Building at 933 North Rush Street reportedly leased by the subject. KEN ETO reportedly involved in take over of numbers operation.

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DETAILS:

On April 13, 1976, [REDACTED] Intelligence Unit, Chicago Police Department (CGPD), advised that he observed KEN ETO at Cartons Restaurant on April 12, 1976, meeting at that location with DOMINIC DI BELLA and JOSEPH DI VARCO.

[REDACTED] noted that the second floor of the building housing the Bourbon Street Restaurant is being remodeled. This restaurant, over the years, has allegedly been owned and operated by the subject.

The Intelligence Division of the CGPD has discontinued any intensive investigation of ETO inasmuch as it has been their experience over the years that he is closely associated with members of the Chicago north side criminal element but is a "worker" for this group rather than one of the leaders.

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In [redacted] advised that "JOE the Jap"  
has leased the entire building at 933 North Rush Street  
containing the old Bourbon Street Restaurant. ETO leased  
the building from [redacted]

[redacted] The building contains several apartments and Gino's  
Pizzeria, as well as Panchanello's, a homosexual tavern  
frequented by show business people.

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[redacted] was interviewed at the office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), 219 South Dearborn Street, Room 905, by Special Agents (SAs) [redacted] and [redacted] of the FBI. [redacted]

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[redacted] provided the following information regarding his involvement in the numbers racket:

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Interviewed on 5/11/76 at Chicago, Illinois File # CG 182-1203

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[REDACTED] stated that on one occasion, believed to be [REDACTED] asked him to accompany him to a meeting. [REDACTED] drove [REDACTED] to a motel and restaurant just off of Foster Avenue where he and [REDACTED] met with [REDACTED] a person introduced to him as JOE. [REDACTED] identified the photograph of KEN ETO as the individual known as JOE. [REDACTED] stated that JOE advised [REDACTED] an individual named [REDACTED] was going to take over the numbers. [REDACTED] stated that this was the first time he had met [REDACTED] and KEN ETO. [REDACTED] stated that ETO indicated that numbers was going to be controlled by some new people.

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[REDACTED] stated that soon after the meeting with ETO and [REDACTED] started to work in the numbers. [REDACTED]

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An Anti-Racketeering investigation of the subject has been conducted from September, 1958, to the present. All available background material has been developed concerning KEN ETO, and his associations with the north side criminal element, and his activities, have been documented.

Inasmuch as he is presently involved in a substantive gambling violation being conducted by the Chicago Office, no further investigation is being conducted under the Anti-Racketeering caption.



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Reference **is made to Chicago report  
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